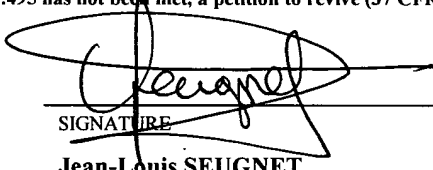


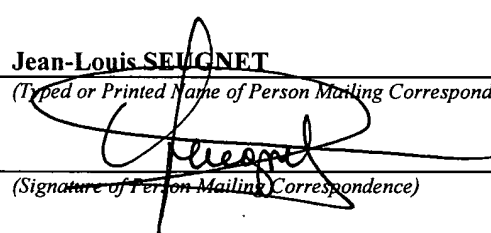
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN) <b>10/284556</b> NOT APPLICABLE	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/FR2004/003354</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>November 22, 2004</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>November 22, 2004</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>SILICA-INTERCALATED HYDROTALCITE, AND USE THEREOF AS FILLER IN POLYMER COMPOSITIONS</b>					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: <b>Michel FOULON and Laurence STELANDRE</b>					
Applicant herewith submits the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and 24 indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c) (2)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). <b>unsigned</b> 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)					
<b>Items 13 to 18 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>					
13. <input type="checkbox"/> An information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1 97 and 1 98. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3 28 and 3 31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail. 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308 <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/332 <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 French version <input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 English Version <input type="checkbox"/> PCT/ISA/237 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>PCT/FR2004/003354</b> as published					

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24. The following fees are submitted:				<b>CALCULATIONS PTO ONLY</b>	
<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic National Fee.....		\$300.00			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) examination fee .....		\$200.00			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search Fee.....		\$500.00			
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.....		\$0.00			
Total of above calculation.....		\$1000.00			
<b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				<b>\$1000.00</b>	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30				\$0.00	
<b>CLAIMS</b>	<b>NUMBER FILED</b>	<b>NUMBER EXTRA</b>	<b>RATE</b>		
Total Claims	18 - 20 =	0	X \$50.00	\$0.00	
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims (Check if applicable)			+ \$360.00	\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$0.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.127). The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$0.00	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$0.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f)). <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the +				\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$1,000.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable)			<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENSLOED =</b>				\$1,000.00	
				<b>Amount to be:</b>	\$
				<b>refunded</b>	
				<b>charged</b>	\$
<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <b>18-1171</b> in the amount of <b>\$1,000.00</b> to cover the above fees.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>18-1171</b>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</p>					
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